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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: TANZANIAN PRESS COMMENT ON KAPUNO ASSASSINATION

1. TANGOV-OWNED DAILY NEWS OF MARCH 30 OBSERVED IN FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL THAT SOUTH AFRICANS WOULD NO DOUBT USE EXCUSE OF KAPUNO ASSASSINATION "TO CRACK DOWN ON" SWAPO SUPPORTERS IN NAMIBIA. EXCUSE OF MAINTAINING "LAW AND ORDER" MIGHT BE USED TO TURN NAMIBIA "INTO ANOTHER BANTUSTAN THROUGH BOGUS CONSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS." EDITORIAL SAID FEW WOULD MOURN KAPUNO WHO WAS A "TRAITOR" ALLIED WITH THOSE WHO WERE KILLING HIS OWN PEOPLE.

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2. EDITORIAL ASSERTED THAT FIVE WESTERN MEMBERS OF SECURITY COUNCIL HAVE A "SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY" FOR NAMIBIA. "THEY HAVE INITIATED TALKS FOR A PEACEFUL TRANSFER OF POWER TO THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA. THEY HAVE, THEREFORE, A CLEAR DUTY OF ENSURING THAT EVENTUALITY." INDICATIONS THAT WESTERN FIVE WERE CONSIDERING "NEW STEPS" FOR A NAMIBIAN STATEMENT WERE "ENCOURAGING." "IN THE LIGHT OF WHAT IS NOW LIKELY TO HAPPEN - FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF CHIEF KAPUNO

- WE WOULD LIKE TO URGE THE FIVE WESTERN STATES TO MOVE FORWARD
SWIFTLY. VIOLENCE MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO PERPETUATE ITSELF IN
NAMIBIA THROUGH ANOTHER SO-CALLED INTERNAL SETTLEMENT."
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